

The Patrician

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 28, 2014



Prayer to the Holy Family for the Synod on the Family

by Pope Francis

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,
in you we contemplate
the splendor of true love,
to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer,
authentic schools of the Gospel,
and small domestic Churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again
experience violence, rejection, and division:
may all who have been hurt or scandalized
find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
may the approaching Synod of Bishops make us once more mindful
of the sacredness and inviolability of the family and its beauty in God's plan.
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer. Amen.

The Extraordinary Synod of Bishops on the Family will take place October 5 - 19 at the Vatican. Pope Francis is encouraging a universal day of prayer **TODAY**, September 28, for this upcoming synod on the family. The Synod will address the pastoral challenges of the family in the context of evangelization. The bishops will thoroughly examine and analyze the information, testimonies, and recommendations received, in order to respond to these new challenges of the family.

Pope Francis, in inviting us all to participate through our prayer, has said, "**May we all, then, pray together so that through these events the Church will undertake a true journey of discernment and adopt the necessary pastoral means to help families face their present challenges with the light and strength that comes from the Gospel.**"

Two sons were asked to work in the vineyard of their father.
One said he would do so, but he didn't.
The other said he wouldn't, but he did.
It was this second son who did what the father wanted.

God, our Father, invites us all to work in the vineyard,
preparing the world for the coming of the kingdom.

Some of us talk about the work that needs to be done,
calling attention to the social ills that divide us:
the poverty and hunger, the discrimination and oppression,
the militarism and war.

Others of us do something about these problems:
challenging the systems that produce poverty and hunger,
struggling to overcome discrimination and oppression,
agitating for peace and an end to militarism.

The challenge of Jesus Christ is to look to others' interests rather than to one's own.
It is to look beyond one's small world, which may be filled with satisfaction and fulfillment,
to look out into that world where people suffer and die.

And it is to *go beyond talk and become involved in action* for the transformation of the world.

Gerald Darring



This Week ...

Monday, September 29

Tuesday, September 30

Wednesday, October 1

9:30 ***ACA School Mass*** – all are welcome!

5:40 ***REP Classes***

Thursday, October 2

12:00 ***Adoration***

5:00 ***Vespers and Benediction***

6:30 ***CHOIR Practice***

Friday, October 3

Saturday, October 4

8:00 ***Parish Project Day***

Clothing & Household Goods Drive

Sunday, October 5

Clothing & Household Goods Drive

10:00 ***Little People's Church***

For Reflection ...

- What counts in building community - saying some good words, or actually doing some good deeds?
- At which one are you better ... words or deeds?

Pray for Those Serving in the Military ...

Ryan Barrie, Jason Byrne, Noah Clyden,
Daniel DesMarteau, Joshua DesMarteau,
Synthia Dorsey, Dustin Foltz,
Nathan Hornback, Joseph Jordan, Alex Kregor,
Matthew Lanasa, Troy Martin, Justin Phelps,
John T. Raimondo, Scott Riegel, Jena Roark,
Erik Schultz, Gregory Smith, Jessica Smith,
Tom Stanley, Tyler Wenzelman,
and Michael Widhalm.

Be with them, Lord, and keep them safe!

With the Poor...

Please bring

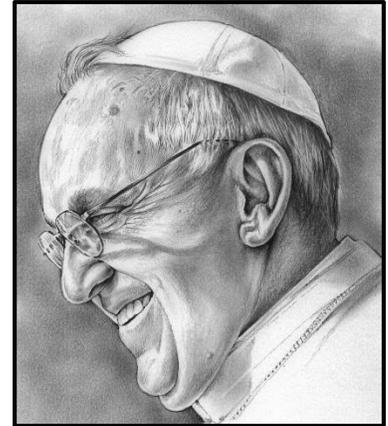
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to share with those in need!

Thank You!

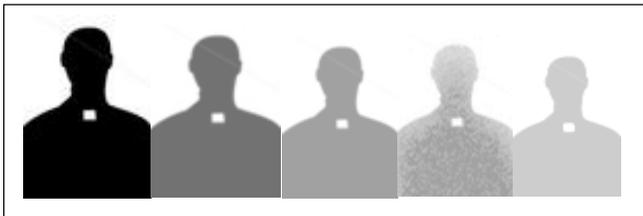
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Pope Francis:
Evangelii Gaudium – The Joy of the Gospel
From Chapter 4:
The Social Dimension of Evangelization



“We love this magnificent planet on which God has put us, and we love the human family which dwells here, with all its tragedies and struggles, its hopes and aspirations, its strengths and weaknesses.” §183

“... the planet belongs to all mankind and is meant for all mankind: the mere fact that some people are born in places with fewer resources or less development does not justify the fact that they are living with less dignity.” §190



Kankakee Parishes ...
The Conversation Continues

In June of this year, the Pastors of the four Kankakee Parishes – *St. Patrick, St. Teresa, St. Rose, and St. Martin* – gathered representatives from each of their Parish Councils to talk about some of the very real factors affecting life in our Parishes. That meeting was helpful in that people from all four parishes share not only the same concerns ... but the same hope for the future.

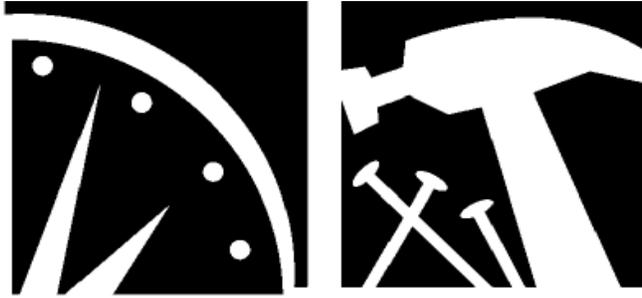
A second meeting was held last week, with a presentation by **Fr. William Dewan**, who serves as the **Vicar for Priests and as the Priest Personnel Director for the Diocese of Joliet**. During his presentation, he shared many diocesan statistics on parishes – the number of parishes and parishioners, the number and age of priests, the number of ordinations, retirements, and deaths.

As was mentioned before - Catholic parishes in the United States have experienced many transitions during the last two decades. The decline in the number of ordained ministers is one of the major reasons that has led to these conversations about the future across the country.



Fr. Dewan reassured the meeting’s participants that Bishop Conlon has no intention of closing any one of the Parishes. He asked participants to talk with their Parish Councils and to begin looking at creative ways to deal with the priest shortage. We are to look at ways – in the light of the statistics – that the needs of the Kankakee Parishes will continue to be met. And the conversation will definitely continue! ***Let us all pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit to enlighten our minds as we look to the future!***

OCTOBER 4 / 5 – FALL DONATION DAYS!



Sharing TIME and TALENT

MEN *and* WOMEN
of St. Patrick Parish -

The date for our next Parish Special Projects Day:
NEXT Saturday, October 4, from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Plan now to join in the work ... and in the fun!
Lunch will be provided.**

Has someone you care about expressed an interest in the Catholic faith? Invite them to ***come and see!*** Our RCIA is structured in such a way that invites people to do just that! Initial meetings are designed to answer basic questions, and to give a feel for what the journey will be like. We also explore various aspects of the Church and Church teaching. **Interested?** Simply contact Marilyn Mulcahy at (815) 932-6716, or e-mail her at mmulcahy@ameritech.net.



Come away for a Time of Prayer. Treat yourself to a *Time of Prayer* on Thursday, October 9, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon at the ***One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center***, 2041 W. Route 113, Kankakee. Sponsored by the Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary, and presented by Sr. Mary Stella Schellenberger. The cost is only \$5. To register or for more information, please call (815)935-0800 or just stop by. Visit our website at www.sscm-usa.org for more information on upcoming programs at the *One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center*.

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary CARD PARTY is set for Sunday, October 12, beginning at 12:30 p.m. Salad Bar opens at 1 p.m. Tickets are just \$6 at the door or from any member – just ask Shirley Purcell! Many door prizes and raffles. Ladies and Gents are welcome!

St. Peter's Catholic Church, Clifton, is holding a
Family-Style Chicken Dinner and Bazaar
TODAY, September 28, from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

St. Margaret Mary Church, Herscher, is holding their
2014 Public Square Rosary
on Saturday, October 11, beginning at 12 noon!
Bring your lawn chair. We hope to see you there!

OCTOBER 4 / 5 - LET'S FILL THE TRUCK!

OCTOBER 4 / 5 FALL DONATION DAYS!

Please begin NOW to look around your home for gently-used items to donate. Donate clothing, furniture, books, toys, and other possessions to help those in need. Envelope Number 555. The Salvation Army truck will be here for all the Masses next weekend - October 4 / 5.



DO GOOD WORKS

It's funny: I always imagined when I was a kid that adults had some kind of inner toolbox full of shiny tools: the saw of discernment, the hammer of wisdom, the sandpaper of patience. But then when I grew up I found that life handed you these rusty bent old tools – friendships, prayer, conscience, honesty – and said “do the best you can with these, they will have to do.” And mostly, against all odds, they do.

Anne Lamott in *Traveling Mercies: Some Thoughts on Faith*

Living Alternatives Pregnancy Resource Center in Kankakee helps women with crisis pregnancies in the Kankakee area. All services offered to the client are free. Please help raise money to support their good works by attending a **Fundraising Banquet**, on October 14, at 7 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Come and hear our Speaker, Cal Thomas. Dinner is complimentary. There will be an opportunity to make a financial contribution. To make your reservations, please call (815) 933-2207 by Oct 1. For more information, please contact Barb Jepson, Respect Life Coordinator – Kankakee Deanery, at (815) 937-9260.

Kankakee Men's Discernment Group

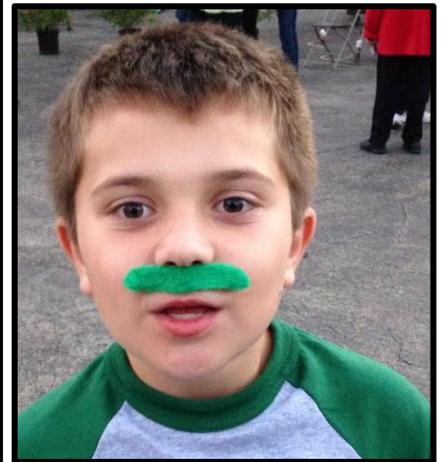
All men, high school age and older, are welcome to attend a vocation discernment group. There is always a free meal and a group discussion afterwards. The next one will be held at Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Bourbonnais, on **Saturday, October 4, at 6 p.m.** Please RSVP to Father Jason Nesbit, CSV, at (815) 933-8285 or at jnesbit@mbvm.org

Half Paddy

I knew there was some kind of mustache contest at *Half Paddy*.

I do not know
if these two entered it,
but it looks like
this little guy gave
Mike Quigley
a run for the money!

Now that I think of it ... there
were mustaches everywhere!



**Kids of all ages
love *Half Paddy*!**

ST. PATRICK CHURCH, 428 SOUTH INDIANA AVENUE, KANKAKEE, IL (815) 932-6716
Liturgical Ministers Schedule - Please arrange for a substitute, if needed.

OCTOBER 4 / 5	4:00 P.M.	7:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.
CANTOR	E. Kregor / Choir		M. White
SERVERS	A. Gilbert T. Gilbert K. Roth		M. McCawley K. McCawley J. McCawley
LECTORS	M. O'Brien	H. Kavanaugh, CND	D. Macaluso
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	T. Blumenthal J. Braun P. Schiel	J. Boyd D. Boyd S. Stanley	P. Germano J. Germano J. Harvoth D. Macaluso J. Schmidt
USHERS	C. Denault C. Elsey R. Skelly G. Piatt S. Drassler S. Berg A. Parkinson	G. Flageole P. Holohan B. Grasser M. Born	D. Torstrick R. Hartman L. Anderson D. Glenzinski T. Marcotte P. Swanson M. Spilsbury
LITTLE PEOPLE'S CHURCH – October 5			M. Mulcahy
<i>This Week: September 29 – October 4</i>		7:15 a.m.	
WEEKDAY LECTOR		K. Yohnka	
WEEKDAY EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER		C. Berg	
SACRISTAN		S. Purcell	

*Please pray for the sick and the dying, and all those who mourn the loss of a loved one.
 Also, let us remember in prayer the homebound and those in nursing homes or hospitals.*

Prayer Line ... Call (815) 933-6877

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 29
Michael, Gabriel, Raphael - Archangels
 7:15 William Heflin
 Tuesday, September 30 *St. Jerome*
 7:15 Frances Januski (Ann.)
 Wednesday, October 1
St. Therese of the Child Jesus
 7:15 Tom Sullivan
 Thursday, October 2 *The Guardian Angels*
 7:15 James Fortier
 Friday, October 3
 7:15 Carol Boris (Birth. Ann.)
 Saturday, October 4 *St. Francis of Assisi*
 7:15 Parishioners & Benefactors
 4:00 Philip Schriener /
 Andina Dal Santo /
 Dennis Grzelak /
 St. Patrick H. S. Class of 1954
 Sunday, October 5
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:00 Charles A. Schultz
 10:00 Harold & Mary Gullquist

MEMORIAL CANDLES

The Blessed Sacrament Candle
 burns in memory of **John Hodak.**

The Holy Family Candle
 burns for the special intentions
 of the **Hodak Family.**

Autumn Prayer

O God of Creation, you have blessed us
 with the changing of the seasons.
 As we embrace these autumn months,
 may the earlier setting of the sun
 remind us to take time to rest.
 May the crunch of leaves beneath our feet
 remind us of the brevity of this earthly life.
 May the steam of our breath in the cool air
 remind us that it is you
 who give us your breath of life.
 May the scurrying of the squirrels
 and the migration of the birds remind us
 that you call us to follow your will.
 We praise your goodness and mercy. Amen.

